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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Species Election Requirement mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on March 28, 2006, Applicants hereby elect a first virus tobamovirus, and a second virus alfamovirus. Further, Applicants hereby elect a replicase protein coding component.

Applicants thank Examiner Ketter for his return telephone call in attempt to clarify the present requirement. Following the call, it is believed election of two viruses and a single component was the intention of the present requirement in view of the pending claims. Should any questions arise in connection with this Response to Species Election Requirement, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned.

A petition and credit card payment for a two (2) month extension of time to respond to the Species Election Requirement is enclosed. It is believed no additional fees or extension are due, however in the event any additional extensions or fees are due, please consider this a petition therefor. Please charge any additional fees that may be associated with this filing, or credit any overpayments, to our Deposit Account No. 03-1721.

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